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#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Kashima et al.

Serial No.:

09/870,009

Group Art Unit:

1631

Filed:

May 30, 2001

Examiner:

Carolyn L. Smith

For:

NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE FOR IDENTIFYING A SOURCE OF GENETIC

INFORMATION, AND DNA AND CELL INCLUDING THE SAME

Honorable Commissioner of Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

#### APPELLANT'S STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Sir:

Applicant provides herewith his Statement of Substance of the telephone interview which was conducted between the Examiner and Applicant on August 8, 2006.

- 1. Brief description of nature of exhibits/demonstrations: N/A
- 2. Claims discussed: N/A
- 3. Prior art discussed: N/A
- 4. Proposed amendments discussed: N/A
- 5. Arguments made by Applicant's representative: N/A
- 6. Other pertinent matters: N/A
- 7. Result of Interview: The Examiner indicated that she intended to raise a new ground of rejection under 35 USC §101 and inquired as to whether Appellant would prefer to receive a new Office Action or to have the new ground included in the Examiner's Answer.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Re: Filing of Statement of Substance of Interview

U. S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/870,009

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Dear Examiner:

Enclosed please find a Statement of Substance of Interview for the interview conducted on August 8, 2006.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration of this case.

Very truly yours,

Phillip E. Miller

PEM/jdl Enclosure